

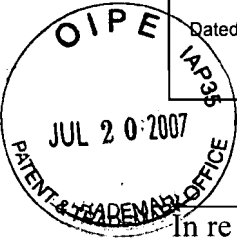
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 5, 2007 (Paper No. 20070328), for which a response was due on July 5, 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline to respond to August 5, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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